GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4398
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AIR SERVICES FROM RAJKOT AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a whether the Government has received any proposal for starting Delhi-Rajkot- Delhi air services;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken thereon so far and outcome of the said action;

(d) whether any private airline has offered its service on said route;

(e) if so, the salient features of said offer alongwith the action taken thereon so far; and

(f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to provide air facilities to the passengers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) and (c): Do not arise.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): The Government has laid down route dispersal guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country, including North-East region. It is, however up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability. As such, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of route dispersal guidelines issued by the Government.